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This is in the hands of the official veterinary. I am certain that the disease will grow worse for some time to come. There are some cases of what is called black variety.

Respectfully,

J. C. INGERSOLL,
United States Consul.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Reports from Bocas del Toro—Fruit port.

BOCAS DEL TORO, COLOMBIA, *November 13, 1901.*

SIR: I have to make the following report of the conditions and transactions at this port during the week ended November 12, 1901:

Population according to census not obtainable. Number of cases and deaths from yellow fever during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from smallpox during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from typhus fever during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from cholera during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from plague during the week, none; number of deaths from other causes during the week, 6. Prevailing disease, malarial fever. Of the deaths noted above, 1 was due to venereal disease; 2 were of 4 days of age, and of these 1 was due to hemorrhage; the other 3 were diagnosed as fever. This list I obtained from the police authorities, as I saw none of the cases. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good, so far as I am able to learn.

Bills of health were issued to the following vessels: November 6, steamship *Nicaragua;* crew, 18; passengers from this port, none; passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected, none. November 6, steamship *Kitty;* crew, 18; passengers from this port, 4; passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected, 4. November 10, steamship *Simon Dumois;* crew, 15; passengers from this port, 2; passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected, 3. November 10, steamship *Harald*; crew, 17; passengers from this port, none; passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected, none.

Respectfully,

PAUL OSTERHOUT,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

COSTA RICA.

Reports from Port Limon—Fruit port.

PORT LIMON, COSTA RICA, *November 9, 1901.*

SIR: I have to make the following report of the conditions and transactions at this port during the week ended November 9, 1901:

Present estimated population, 4,000. Number of cases and deaths from yellow fever during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from smallpox during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from typhus fever during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from cholera during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from plague during the week, none; number of deaths from other causes during the week, 6. Prevailing disease, malarial fever. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good. The heavy and frequent rains have certainly improved the sanitary condition of this port.

Bills of health were issued to the following vessels: November 4, steamship *Alene;* crew, 39; passengers from this port, 8; passengers in transit, 6; pieces of baggage disinfected, none. November 7, steamship *Beverly;* crew, 37; passengers from this port, 7; passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected, 10. November 8, steamship *Stillwater;* crew, 26; passengers from this port, none; passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected, none; steamship *Cataluña;* crew, 113; passengers from this port, 3; passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected, none.

Respectfully, D. W. GOODMAN,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

PORT LIMON, COSTA RICA, *November 15, 1901.*

SIR: I have to make the following report of the conditions and transactions at this port during the week ended November 15, 1901:

Present estimated population, 4,000. Number of cases and deaths from yellow fever during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from smallpox during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from typhus fever during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from cholera during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from plague during the week, none; number of deaths from other causes during the week, none. There are a few cases of malarial fever in the town. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.

Bills of health were issued to the following vessels: November 11, steamship *Alleghany;* crew, 39; passengers from this port, 1; passengers in transit, 5; pieces of baggage disinfected, none; steamship *Spero;* crew, 18; passengers from this port, none; passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected, none. November 15, steamship *Olympia;* crew, 38; passengers from this port, 4; passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected none.

Respectfully, D. W. GOODMAN,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Résumé of transactions at Port Limon—Fruit port.

PORT LIMON, COSTA RICA, *November 15, 1901.*

SIR: I have to make the following report of transactions at this station from September 15 to and including November 15, 1901:

Bills of health were given to 47 steamships bound for ports of the United States. Those to ports south of the southern boundary of Maryland had their crews and passengers inspected and certificates thereof attached to the bills of health as provided in the quarantine regulations of the U. S. Marine-Hospital Service. Since November 1, when the Louisiana State board agreed to accept passengers from Port Limon, 14 passengers have been inspected and their baggage, 27 pieces, disinfected before they embarked on ships for New Orleans. Forty-four deaths have occurred in Port Limon during this one and one-half months as against 76 for the one and one-half months previous. Of yellow fever, 10 deaths, as against 16; of malarial fever, 11 deaths as against 18; intestinal disorders in children, 4 deaths as against 8; pneumonia and bronchitis,